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SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, when Senator Hilgert came to me and asked to put on LB 914, he represented it as exactly as this amendment would make it, which is we keep the 2 years but we move from 12 weeks to 12 months the amount of time that the mother could stay home. I said that's fine, run the amendment, I'll vote for it. So Senator Hilgert is now...this is like a truth in lending amendment. That's what he said on the floor. The language didn't capture that idea. This language does capture that idea. I endorse this amendment and it was what this...what the original bargain between John and myself was as far as running his amendment. So I support the Hilgert amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Hilgert, there are no further lights. Do you wish to close on your amendment, AM3332?

SENATOR HILGERT: Briefly, Mr. President. I will say this. There was some discussion about what if a woman has a child and stays at home for 12 months? Well, she still has to go through the parenting classes, the other requirements, the other educational requirements and so forth so they're simply not just simply staying at home doing nothing. Then, of course, I don't think staying at home doing nothing with a child is doing nothing. If anyone has ever spent any time with a child, you're doing everything but what, you know, relaxing. But anyway, they'd still have to go through the parenting classes, the education, the family nurturing classes. And with that, close; and if there's any other questions about this concept about what we're trying to do here, we'll discuss them before we advance LB 925. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You've heard the closing on AM3332 to AM3330 to the LB 925. The question is, shall AM3332 be adopted? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Sorry about that. We're voting on the Hilgert amendment to the Landis amendment. Have you all voted? We're voting on the Hilgert amendment to the Landis amendment. Have you all voted? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President.